

*Nothochrysa fulviceps* and *N. capitata* in Lincolnshire.—Mr. S. L. Mosley of this town recently showed me a small collection of Lincolnshire *Neuroptera* formed several years ago by Mr. James Eardly Mason, of Alford. In it I was very pleased to find a fine specimen of *Nothochrysa fulviceps*, labelled "Aythorpe, June 26th, 1889, F. Alftoft." There was also an example of *N. capitata* in the collection, bearing the label "Tothill Wood, June 14th, 1890."—GEO. T. PORRITT, Crosland Hall, Huddersfield: *March 5th*, 1895.

[At p. 170 of this Magazine for 1891 I called attention to the fact that no "comparatively recent" occurrence of *N. fulviceps* had been recorded. In fact, I had almost come to look upon it as extinct here. Its occurrence in Lincolnshire so recently as 1889 is therefore very interesting, and I hope we shall soon hear more of it as a native. It is recorded that some of the specimens in old collections came from Windsor Forest.—R. McLACHLAN].

## Societies.

BIRMINGHAM ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY: *February 28th*, 1895.—Mr. G. T. BETHUNE-BAKER, Vice-President, in the Chair.

A letter was read from Mr. G. H. Kenrick requesting to be relieved of the office of President for the present year; Mr. G. T. Bethune-Baker was therefore elected President in his stead, and Mr. P. W. Abbott to the office of Vice-President thus left vacant.

The following were exhibited:—By Mr. Bethune-Baker, a number of *Lepidoptera*, including English *Lalia canosa* and *Acidalia contiguaria*; *Aporophyla lutulenta*, var. *sedi*, from Ireland, *Noctua depuncta*; very dark *Acronycta ligustri*, from Llangollen, some beautiful brown forms of *Rumia cratagata*, and other nice varieties, &c. Mr. R. Freer, a number of varieties, chiefly from Cannock Chase, amongst others were a *Rumia cratagata*, of a lovely pale or yellow-orange colour, deeper along the costa, from the Chase; *Ennomos angularia*, several varieties from Hyde Park; *Notodonta dictæa*, one from the Chase, of a delicate pale brown, without white in any portion; a specimen of *Noctua festiva*, of the form called *confusa* by Newman, from the Chase; a brilliant orange specimen of *Xanthia aurago* from Ashford, Kent; and varieties of *Notodonta dictæoides*, *Asphalia flavicornis*, *Diloba cæruleocephala*, &c. Mr. C. J. Wainwright, a box of *Lepidoptera*, including *Acronycta leporina*, var. *bradypporina*, one from Knowle being very dark and suffused. Mr. E. C. Rossiter, a number of *Lepidoptera*, chiefly from Arley, including a specimen of *Lycæna Alexia*, very chalky, approaching *L. Corydon* in colour, and with a white spot in the centre of each wing; a fine dark *Cleora glabraria* from the New Forest, and other varieties, &c. Mr. R. G. B. Chase, *Dianthæcia conspersa* from Lundy Island. Mr. P. W. Abbott, bred series of *Hadena suasa* from Hull, and *Sesia culiciformis* from Market Drayton. Mr. R. C. Bradley, a rose bush covered with empty cases of *Coleophora gryphipennella*, from his garden at Sutton, also *Orthosia suspecta* from Barnt Green.—COLBRAN J. WAINWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY: *March 11th*, 1895.—Mr. S. J. CAPPER, F.L.S., F.E.S., President, in the Chair.

Mr. R. J. Thompson was elected a Member of the Society.

Mr. R. Newstead, F.E.S., Curator of the Grosvenor Museum, Chester, read some